

(Well, after your mother lost that one place, because she sold it, did she ever get some more?)

She got in heir (she inherited land), but that was her aunt's place she got.

It wasn't much of a place. By the river and wasn't good to farm. But it had lots of pecan trees.

(Did you use to gather pecans?)

Oh yeah. After we got big, we made our living on that. We gathered loads and loads of them. So we take 'em in the wagon to Shawnee.

(Sell them there?)

uh-huh. Yeah.

(Did you ever eat them yourself?)

Yeah, we had all we can eat. Yeah, we just eat and eat.

CHILDHOOD AND PLAY

(Well, how did you spend your time when you were a little girl? Before you started to school, what did you do?)

Oh, played around. Played in the woods and play house. And we had little white neighbors there, and we played with them. They played just like Indians.

Yeah, we just played, that's all.

(What kind of games did you play?)

Oh, we didn't have no games--only just play house, make mud pies and all such as that.

(Well, did you--could you speak English with all the white kids?)

No. I don't know how we did it, but my little brother did. He always speak English. One time he's fishing down the lake west of here and little white boys went down there, said, "Hey, boy what's your name, what's you doin'?"

They all tell him. And he'll say, "John Withanee" he said. They like to hear that, you know. Once in a while, "Hey what's your name?" "John Withanee," he tells 'em. That's not his name. So white boy say "Hey what's your name?" "John Withanee!" he holler at them. Getting cranky at them. So he's fishing